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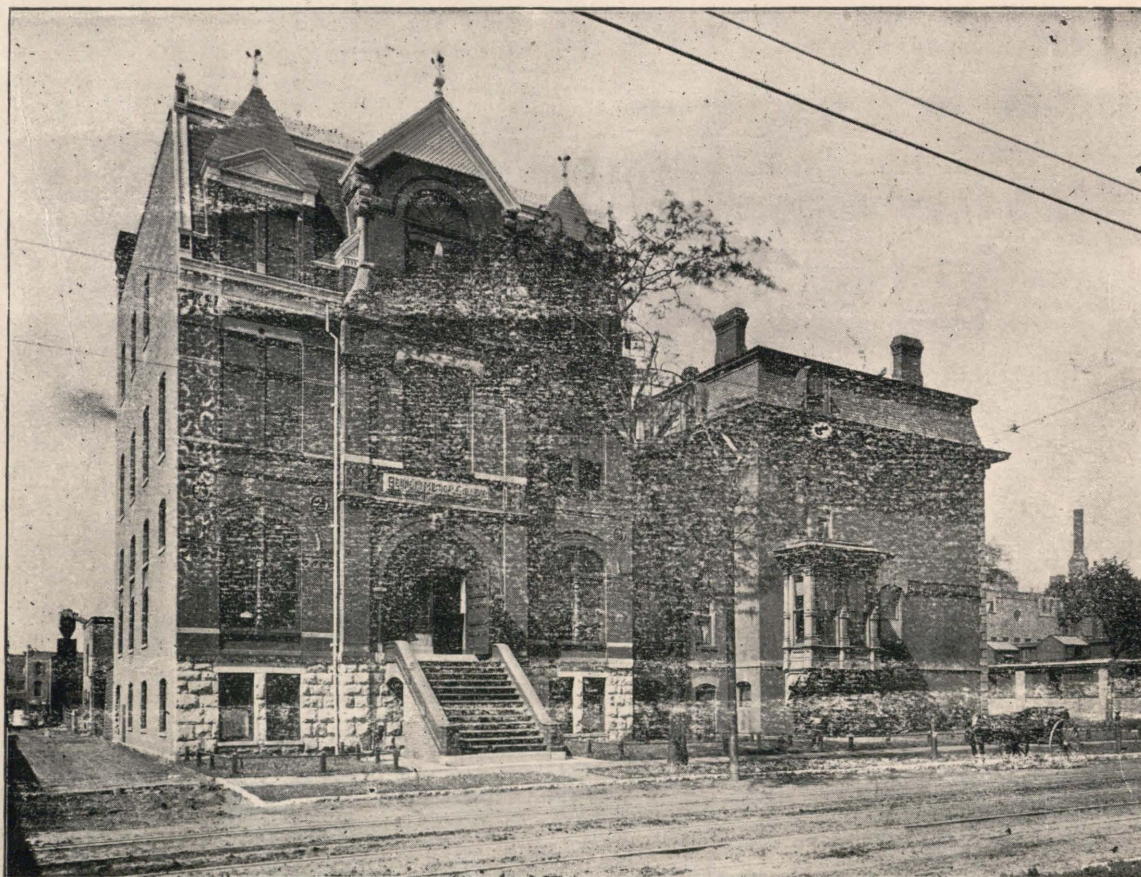
H. B. BROWN, President,

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A YEAR'S GROWTH.

When Professor Darwin enunciated his celebrated theory of the survival of the fittest he but put into words and phrased reason a principle which, in many respects, has been accepted by the world since first men began to reason together.

A very few men or movements succeed by mere chance for a time; but

lege, standing at the threshold of the twenty-eighth year of its existence, may look back over its life-story with a satisfaction based upon the knowledge that its exceptional success has been one not in the slightest degree attributable to the elements of fortune or favoritism. It has made its own way and it has left the evidences of its works in the thousands of lives all over the nation and the world, which it has

lectual and moral weapons with which they have since won their own way in commerce, the church, the state or the courts.

The twenty-seventh year of this institution, just closing, has been one of great development. It has seen long strides taken forward in the scope and execution of the plans upon which the ends of the N. I. N. S. are so successfully worked out. The



VIEW OF SOME OF THE COLLEGE BUILDINGS.

their meteoric rise and frequent fall are far different from the steady advancement and progression which may alone be accounted success by the standard of justice.

The Northern Indiana Normal Col-

equipped for and directed toward successful fruition. Its best testimonials—and those, indeed, upon which it most relies—are the men and women who comprise its alumni, and who received within its walls the intel-

growth in attendance has been more than satisfactory. The enrollment has reached the neighborhood of 3,475, and the increase has been the reverse of a spasmodic or accidental one. The faculty has been en-

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larged, and now comprises sixty teachers and specialists, in the highest rank of the educational profession. The courses have been strengthened and improved wherever experience has developed a need or an opportunity. The lessons taught by twenty-seven years of earnest, honest, watchful effort have not been allowed to pass unheeded by the management of the school. While in no sense or degree "faddists," the intention has been, and is, to keep thoroughly abreast of the times in every respect,

The close of the collegiate year sees one particularly important step which should be especially mentioned. The erection of the fine, large new Science building is being pushed to a rapid completion. This building, architecturally a beauty and in arrangement the ideal of practical service and utility, will be at once equipped with the very latest and best of apparatus and scientific paraphernalia. No expense or pains are being spared in the selection to obtain the very best aids to competent and

iege. For twenty-seven years this course has amply met the demands with a curriculum embodying such work as must be had before the student can proceed with the more technical principles of the subject. Students are well supplied with various instruments necessary for the work in land, ditch, tunnel and canal surveying, but more especially that of land and coast surveying. The practical work with the level and rod includes simple leveling, check levels and profile leveling, cross-sectioning and witnessing,



NEW SCIENCE BUILDING NOW NEARING COMPLETION.

and to give every student all the advantage to be gained by the introduction of the most modern proved methods and ideas.

President Brown and Vice-President Kinsey have given their lives to—not alone the cause of popular education but to the development of this particular institution. They have made it the greatest school of its important class in the world, and they are content to allow its merits to be judged by the standard of results.

thorough instruction in this important department of the school's work.

Civil Engineering Class of 1900.

During the past decade the growing felt-need for people to come into close contact with the commercial world and public life has been enormous. As a result of this fact the deviation from the study of literature and medicine to that of civil engineering and mechanics determines the prominence of this course in the Valparaiso Col-

lege. For twenty-seven years this course has amply met the demands with a curriculum embodying such work as must be had before the student can proceed with the more technical principles of the subject. Students are well supplied with various instruments necessary for the work in land, ditch, tunnel and canal surveying, but more especially that of land and coast surveying. The practical work with the level and rod includes simple leveling, check levels and profile leveling, cross-sectioning and witnessing,

all of which are required before the beginning of a fill or an excavation. In the office work accompanying, the computations are made by the student himself, while for the designing and coloring he has the personal attention of a skillful teacher.

The course in surveying and mechanical drawing extends through a period of twenty weeks and affords ample time for the working out in detail of all the initial principles of the subject. The course, being under the

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special attention of experienced professors, is recognized as being both practical and thorough in its application. One of the most notable proofs of the excellence of the work is the fact that many of the graduates have obtained government positions, while others completing the course in a higher university have not success in their work far above the average student. In view of the fact that the class this year is double that of any

It has certainly worked hard the past year. Sallust, Cicero and Tacitus have required earnest application. Nor has their best effort been spared in pursuing the muses of Virgil and Horace. Under their superior guidance, a study of the Latin literature has been an important feature in their work as well as disentangling the mazy intricacies of the Latin construction. The final term's work in prose composition has furnished ex-

macy, Dispensing, Materia Medica, Histology, Therapeutics, Manufacturing and Toxicology has been exhaustive and practicable. — Elaboration with suitable appliances has been an agreeable feature of the year's work.

Almost every state in the Union is represented in the Pharmacy class of 1900 and the advent of woman into the professions is exemplified by three ladies who will complete the course this year and be rewarded for their



CIVIL ENGINEERING CLASS OF 1900.

preceding year, and that many intend completing the work at Ann Arbor or elsewhere, it may be safely asserted that, considering the shortness of the time spent, the course is unsurpassed.

THE CLASSICS OF 1900

The "Classic" class of 1900 numbers twenty seven. Most of these are former graduates from the Scientific

cellent review and been thoroughly enjoyed.

In the mental sciences much time has been given to nomenclature, terminology, definitions and outlines, with numerous discussions and reports. Hardest of work has been devoted to German and Greek.

Most of the members will teach the coming year; others will continue their studies at the universities. It is with the deepest regret that they leave their able instructor.

PHARMACY CLASS.

The steady growth of the Pharmacy Department is indication of the appreciation of the effort put forth for its improvement. The eighty-five members of this class, who will complete the course of study prescribed, feel the practicability and thoroughness of the instruction received from teachers of experience and untiring zeal who have prepared them to successfully cope with the perplexities which will arise in the practice of their chosen profession.

The work covered in Chemistry, Physics, Physiology, Botany, Phar-

maeology and industry by the degree Ph. G. Although the number is small the sex is favorably represented, and the male members welcome to their ranks ladies of so high a degree of intelligence and perseverance.

The department has maintained from the beginning of the school year a class organization regularly officered and has held meetings bi-monthly, at which were discussed subjects having direct bearing on the work pursued. Much benefit was derived from these. Many papers were read at these meetings by members of the class which showed deep research on the subject treated, and afforded pleasant and profitable entertainment to the class.

The average ability, assiduity and deportment of the class has been gratifying in every respect and it has been complimented by the dean as being superior to preceding ones.

An uninterrupted harmony in the class, and between it and the faculty has been one of the pleasant features of the year and the kindly feelings of all toward the institution in general will be pleasant memories for the future.

As the curtain is about to drop



DR. H. N. CARVER.

course and some have also completed the four years' High School work.

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of school life, the only unpleasant feature is the severance of personal intercourse which has grown almost to affection; but the ties of friendship will be found strong enough to endure in future years.

For whatever success has been won, the class feels that a goodly portion of it has been due to the untiring efforts

MARION C. LASELL,

President Bogarte Elocution Society.

We take pleasure in presenting to our readers Marion C. Lasell, president of the Bogarte Elocution Society.

He was born on his father's farm in Fillmore county, Minnesota, June,

the spring of 1892 he went to Waubay, South Dakota, where he assisted his brother in his store in the summer time and taught school in the winter. In 1895 he attended the N. I. N. S. for two terms. He returned in 1898, completing the Commercial course that year, the Scientific in '99, and the past year has worked in the Elocution,



PHARMACY CLASS OF 1900.

of the instructors, and that they in turn have just cause to be proud of the results of their efforts. The class of 1900 is an honor to the Northern Indiana School of Pharmacy.

1873. He attended a country school till his thirteenth year, and at seventeen went west, traveling through twelve different states and working in turn as a miner and carpenter. In

Special Mathematics and Law courses, expecting to be in the Senior class next fall. He is a member of the M. E. church and Y. M. C. A., where he is known as an energetic worker.

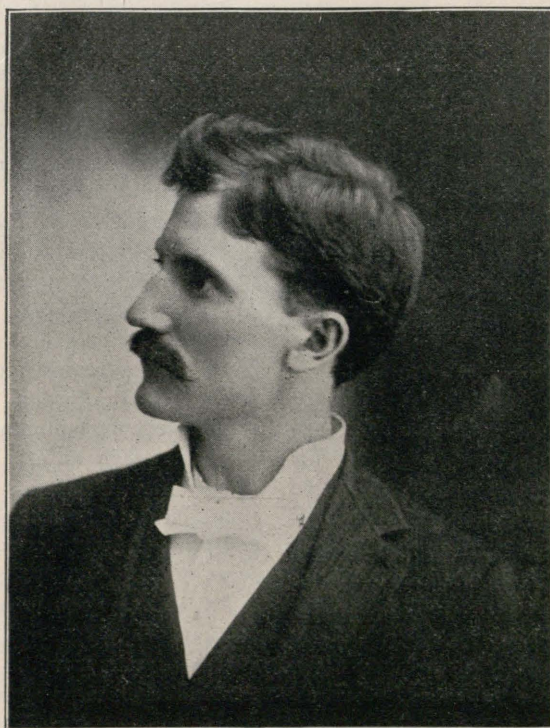
He is known by his instructors and classmates as a faithful, conscientious, hard-working student. He has gained for himself the reputation of being one of the best orators and debators in the college.

With his zeal and determination of purpose, we predict for him a bright and prosperous future.

C. W. THOMPSON,

President Elocution Course and Orator for Bogarte Society.

Mr. Thompson can be justly termed an ideal student, strong in every development and mediocre in none. He represents the class of students who in life's strenuous struggle ever reflect honor and credit on their Alma Mater. He is a graduate of the State High School at Alexandria, Minn. He completed a four years Latin course at that institution in three years, and notwithstanding his extra work he graduated at the head of his class. During this time he also succeeded in obtaining state certificates in twenty-three branches. He taught school in his home county one year and then came to Valparaiso. He has been

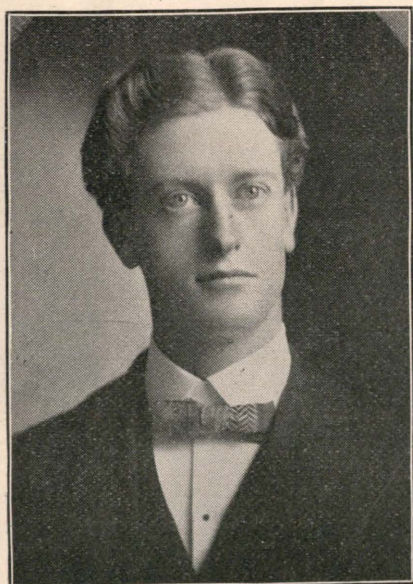


MARION C. LASELL.

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here six and one-half terms and this summer graduates in the Classic, Scientific and Elocution courses.

With his many other accomplishments Mr. Thompson unites a winning personality. He was elected president of the Elocution class and also anniversary orator of the Bogarte



society. He has made a specialty of elocution and during the past year has been in much demand at the literary societies. His manner is pleasing, but forcible and convincing. He is a deep and earnest student and to a quick and comprehensive perception adds a zeal and perseverance that never flag.

women that ever wended its way through the portals of the N. I. N. S. In many respects it has been the most favored of all the classes in the institution. It has had a "grandfather" and a "pa" all year. Then, too, it has its full quota of bachelor boys and bachelor girls, of wedded and about-to-be wedded, of queers and of cranks, of radicals and conservatives, of politicians and of missionaries. While the class is of a conglomerate nature, so also are the studies. Its work has been varied and abundant. The transition of the class from mediocrity to the high degree of intelligence which it now reflects speaks volumes for the tireless workers to whom that task was assigned.

From Doggerel to poetry, from "a line" or "an angle" to the wonders of the celestial dome; from the elements of matter to the marvels of electricity; from "mensa" to Aeneas; from the amoeba to the vertebrate; from the formation of the earth to its present condition; from H_2O to the chlorates; from protoplasm to man; from the key of C. to key of C sharp; from the early Briton to the John Bull of today, from Chaucer to Tennyson—all these paths have been patiently traveled. The pace has been terrific. Many have fallen by the wayside—all too few perhaps—but as the grandstand came into view those still in the race heaved a sigh of relief, cast a tear for the departed, and with a dig or the spur gave a last long heroic

before were so many parts of the world represented in a class. It has an individuality peculiar to itself. It shines among its peers. When other classes of its kind have passed into oblivion it will still be found to be fresh in the memory of its acquaintances, the faculty has always evinced a kindly feeling of interest in each individual, and the class in return has endeavored by unflagging interest to show its appreciation.

On the 10th of August the members will return to their prosaic walks of life with the good wishes and respect of all.

The graduating roll is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." It includes names that are hard as the binomial theorem and as musical as the class yell.

J. N. HAGAN.

Orator for the Star Society.

Of many men it can be said that they achieved success by toiling while their companions slept. Mr. Hagan is a true exponent of that class of sturdy Americans who have brushed aside adverse circumstances and by unrelenting toil trudged up the road to a broader life.

Born and reared on a farm near Ft. Wayne, Ind., he acquired an elementary education by attending school in winter and working on his father's farm during the summer. At the age of 19 he left home to carve his own fortune. He worked in a foundry at



THE SCIENTIFIC CLASS OF 1900.

SCIENTIFIC CLASS 1900.

It is the general consensus of opinion among observers that the Scientific class of 1900 is the best all around organization of "brave men and fair

effort and succeeded in bringing in many of the "also rans."

Perhaps no class has ever graduated from the institution with a better record. It is composed of honest hard-working ambitious students. Never

Ft. Wayne for some time and then attended school at Valparaiso for one term. Since then he has been teaching and attending school. In all, he has taught over three years and has attended the N. I. N. S. for about four

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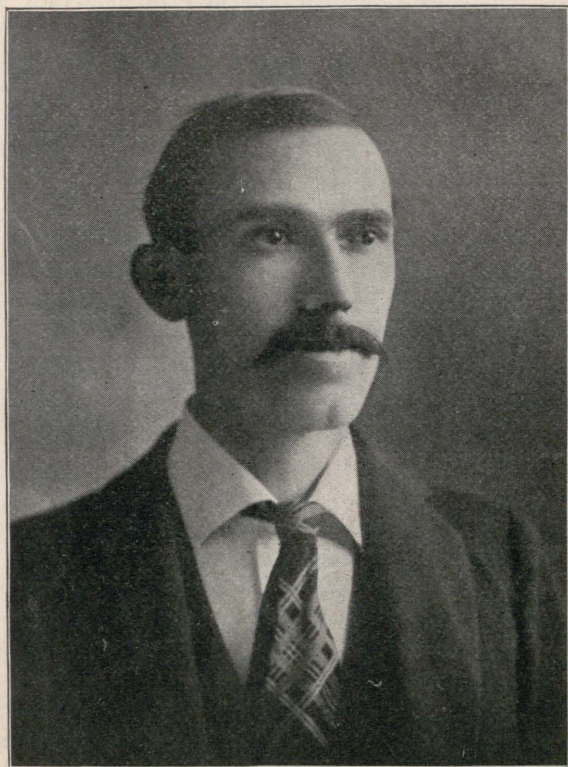
years. He has had a great part of the Special Mathematic and Special Penmanship courses. He has also completed the Scientific, Teachers', Commercial and Phonography courses. During his attendance he has been an influential and ardent worker in the Star Literary Society. This year he has been honored by the highest gift

made rapid progress during the past year. Music Hall has been made a hot bed of activity. Over 50 recitals and concerts have been given since November 1st last, while Mr. Butler and Mr. Clark have from time to

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

The Musical Department, under the

and 80 lessons a week. This year there are five teacher certificate pupils and nine graduates. Of the graduates, five have secured remunerative positions as instructors in Normal schools of good standing. There is always a demand for teachers, and Mr. Butler says there is no difficulty in securing positions if the pupil is in



J. N. HAGAN.

of the society, that of orator.

While Mr. Hagan has broadened himself by a literary and mathematical training, he has made special preparation in the commercial and short hand work and expects to teach in that department. His many friends and acquaintances predict a successful future.



M. E. HALCOMB.

direction of Harold L. Butler, has time given talks and lectures on Musical topics. For the first time in the history of the department, the Hall was open for practice from 6:30 to 8 in the evening. This was necessitated by the large number of pupils in attendance during the summer term. Mr. Butler has, for the past three months, been giving between 70

earnest and thoroughly competent. Mr. Butler has received many personal letters from young people contemplating a course of study, and he feels sure that the coming year will be the most prosperous in the history of the department.



THE MUSIC CLASS OF 1900.

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ART CLASS OF 1900.

The Art Department is rapidly becoming one of the important features of the institution. It is in charge of Mrs. J. B. Dolson, who deserves great credit for the admirable work done. The graduating class this year numbers 7 young ladies, most of them

public schools of Indiana for six years. Mr. Gant chose music as a profession. His early musical training was under the direction of Prof R. A. Reritage former director of the musical department of the N. I. N. S. He continued his studies and completed the post graduate course with the class of '99. Since then he has been em-

Teachers', Scientific, Elocution, Classic and Higher English Courses.

Mr. Hoffman has displayed much ability in oratory and has been a prominent member in the "Star Literary Society" and "Economic Club." He takes great interest in politics and social problems, and being a ready and fluent speaker he is in much



ART CLASS OF 1900.

have secured positions as teachers in drawing and art.

A special feature of this department are the art exhibitions which are held each year. These are given during Christmas week, Valentine Day, Easter and the last one during the ninth week of the summer term.



P. A. GANT.

Mr. P. A. Gant, now a member of the musical faculty of the Northern Indiana Normal School, has a baritone voice of extraordinary quality and range. After teaching in the

employed by the school where he teaches voice, theory and sight-reading. Mr. Gant is now studying with L. Gaston Goteschalk of Chicago, a teacher and singer of National reputation. He will continue his study with Mr. Gottschalk at least two or three years, when he will take up the study of opera and be prepared for the stage.

Mr. Gant has appeared in several concerts and also sang the part of Valentine in Faust with great success.

He has for the past two years been director of a large choir at the Christian church, Valparaiso, Ind., and has given several concerts with marked success.

Having excellent musical ability and a keen sense for high musical art, is fair to presume that his present success is but a stepping-stone, to what he will accomplish in the near future.

EDWARD. G. HOFFMAN

Orator for the Elocution Class

Mr. Hoffman is one of those energetic, business young men who have made "Americanism" a synonym for ambition, intellect and push. His home is at Harlan, Indiana. After graduating from the High school at Maysville, Ind., he taught school for one year and then entered the N. I. N. S. He has been here for three years and has graduated from the

demand in the debating clubs.

Mr. Hoffman has made an enviable record in his classes. He is a close



and rigid reasoner, a wide reader and an original thinker. He will enter the Law School in Ann Arbor next year.

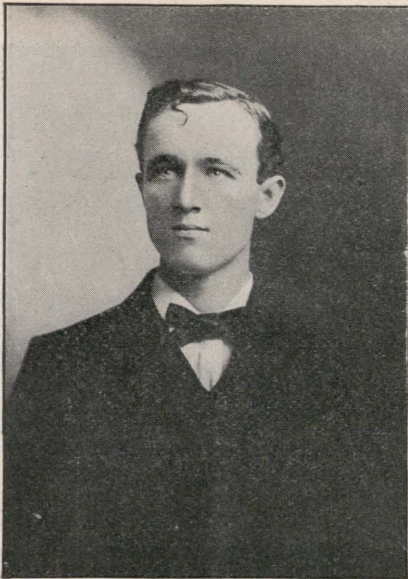
A. L. HUNTER

Mr. Hunter is undoubtedly the most widely known student on the hill. His proclivity for politics and his untiring devotion to his party have given him a wide reputation.

Mr. Hunter is from Southern Illi-

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nois and has attended school here for three years. He is a graduate of the Scientific and Classic courses. Since entering school Mr. Hunter has been a very important factor in all the debating societies and the Saturday debates.



He was one of the originators and pillars of the Economic club and has always been a wide reader and deep student of politics.

He is a ready speaker, quick thinker and extremely witty. He was one of the first to agitate the formation of a Democratic club. His associates in the club rewarded him by unanimously electing him president.

Next year he intends to study law. His field seems to be that of politics and undoubtedly only a few years will pass before he will distinguish himself in that line.

the very valuable art of Shorthand within the reach of the masses, and the results have been all that could be desired. It is not only one of the most popular, but one of the strongest departments of the institution.

It is under the personal supervision of S. P. Corboy, an official court reporter. He is assisted by Mrs. Corboy, whose ability to teach this art is extraordinary.

But back of the story of success of her pupils is that of work, that of hard work. She inspires her pupils, and under her influence ambition is awakened and new perseverance brought into life.

The place this department fills can not scarcely be over estimated, all over this country, year after year, go the increasing army of self-reliant young women and energetic young men who are well qualified for their work, and amply able to divide honors with the students from any Phonographic school in the land.

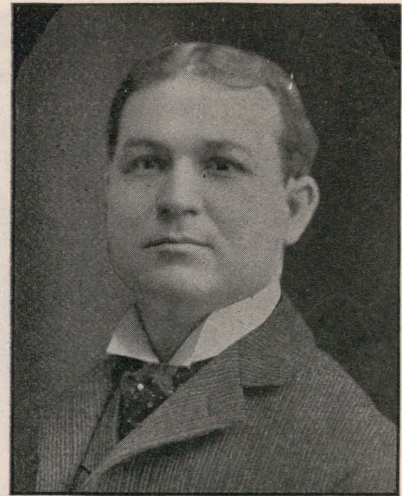
HON. FRANK L. JONES.

Hon. Frank L. Jones, the present State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Indiana, was born in Howard county, this state, February 25, 1872.

His parents were in only ordinary circumstances, and "Frank," as he has always been called by his wide circle of acquaintances with whom he is justly very popular, had to rely upon his own resources, which were almost altogether in the head and heart, and not in the pocket, for the accomplishment of anything above the ordinary. What little school advantages he had

village schools in Howard and Cass counties.

At seventeen he had graduated from the Northern Indiana Normal School, and had passed through all the metamorphoses of the "mossback, with pants in his boots, in the middle of the street," to a full fledged and accomplished classic. He has since



graduated from the Indiana State University, and studied extensively in Butler and Chicago universities. It will at once be seen that such an extensive course in the leading educational institutions of this country would entail a vast expense. But again Frank was equal to the occasion. He supported himself by teaching in Porter, Howard, Hamilton, Marion and Tipton counties.

He has held the following important position: Superintendent of the Greentown schools, ward principal in Kokomo, high school principal in Noblesville schools, teacher in the Indianapolis Industrial Training School



PHONOGRAPHX CLASS OF 1900.

Department of Phonography and Typewriting.

This department was established for the sole purpose of placing

in his boyhood days were confined to the "winter term" of the rural schools, such as they were at that time, and a short term or two, broken, as they had to be, by "days off for work," in the

and city superintendent of the city schools of Tipton. It will thus be seen that he has earned his high promotion to the office of state superintendent of the great state of Indiana.

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PROF. H. L. BUTLER

Mr. Butler's success in the musical world has been phenomenal. When a mere lad he began to develop an inclination toward music, and at an early age was placed under the tutelage of Mrs. Wetzel, an accomplished vocalist and teacher of Portland, Ore. After spending over a year under her instruction, he came to this city and began study with Prof. Heritage. He was an apt pupil and easily took first rank among the members of his class. Prof. Heritage immediately recognized the promise he was given in his pupil, and took especial delight in noting

matic work or in the most dainty ballad he is equally at ease. He has made a special study of tone production and placement in all voices, having had the privilege of hearing both Gottschalk and Sauvage give many lessons to pupils under their charge.

He has a repertoire of over 500 songs, embracing such authors as Carissimi, Caldara, Gluck, Handel, Hayden, Mozart, Schubert, Schumann, Franz, Beahms, Wagner, Tschaikowsky, Gounod and a host of American and English modern composers; sings in Italian, German and English. Repertoire oratorios: Messiah, Elijah,

Verdi; Mignone, Thomas; Lucia di Lammermoor, by Donizetti; Carmen, by Bizet; Aida, by Verdi; Romeo and Juliet, by Gounod; La Boheme, by Puccini, La Gioconda, by Puccini; Faust, by Gounod; Lohengrin, Meistersingers and Tannhauser, by Wagner. This is not a studio repertoire, but a stage repertoire, Mr. Butler having sung all of these at the American Theatre in New York City. While in New York City Mr. Butler was bass soloist of the surplised choir of the church of Holy Communion, Charles Whitney Coombs organist and director, and was a member of the Appolo Club, an organization consisting of 40 of the finest male voices of New York City.

LLOYD RADRR, Treas. of Scientific Class.

Unlike most students, Mr. Rader has had a varied experience as a student and teacher and as a soldier in the late war. He has traveled extensively and learned life in all its phases. He began teaching at the age of eighteen and since then has attended school, taught and traveled.

He completed the Commercial course here in '96 and spent the summer of '97 in the Northwest.



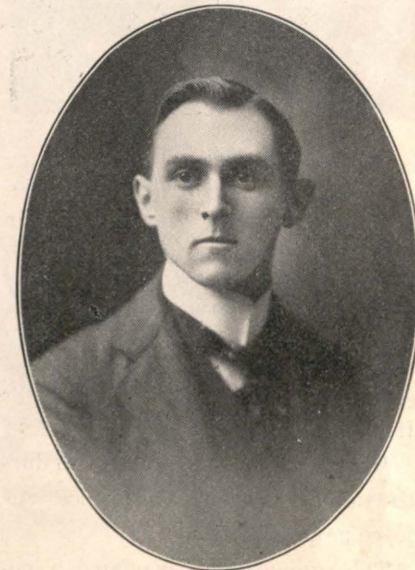
PROF. HAROLD L. BUTLER.

the rapid progress he was able to make. Upon completing his work here he at once began to study under the eminent Louis G. Gottschalk, president of the Gottschalk Lyric School of Chicago, where he persevered continuously for a period of about four years. That Mr. Butler made extraordinary progress while there was evidenced by the fact that he was able to bear away with him the gold medal of that institution.

Mr. Butler's voice is a Basso Cantante, ranging from F-sharp below to F-sharp above. He has great power and almost perfect method. In dra-

Creation, St. Paul, Samson and a number of others. He is supreme in his operatic repertoire, having appeared in New York with the Castle Square Opera Co. in 104 performances of Grand Opera and fifty-two performances of light Opera. Mr. Butler's light opera repertoire embraces the following operas: Chimes of Normandy, Pirates of Penzance, Olivette, Trial by Jury, Mikado and Pinafore. His grand opera repertoire embraces the following operas, fourteenth in number:

Bohemian Girl, by Balfe; Merry Wives of Windsor, by Nicolai; Rigoletto, by



He was attending school at the N. I. N. S. in the Spring of '98 when his country's call for soldiers came. He was one of the first to volunteer and enlisted in Co. A. 157th, Ind. Vol. Inf. He spent the summer at Tampa and Fernandina Fla., and was honorably discharged in the fall. Mr. Rader is very popular, besides being Treasurer of the Scientific class he is President of the Spanish-American war veterans. Mr. Rader is a strong and earnest worker in all his studies but is making a speciality of mathematics. He will teach in North Dakota next year.

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DR. FREEDA M. PILES.

Dr. Piles is a product of Iowa. Her early life was spent in the town of her nativity, Oakland, Iowa. After a High school course, she attended business college at Council Bluffs. She then completed a three years literary course at a college at Des-Moines. She attended the N. I. N. S. for two years, graduating with the Scientific class of '95 and in the Pharmacy class of '96. Owin to her ex-



cellent preparation and natural ability she was able to complete. with high honors, in three years, the regular four years course at the Hahnemann Medical college of Chicago. She graduated with the class of '99. While in the Medical college her work was of such high merit that she was employed as Ass't Demonstrator of Histology.

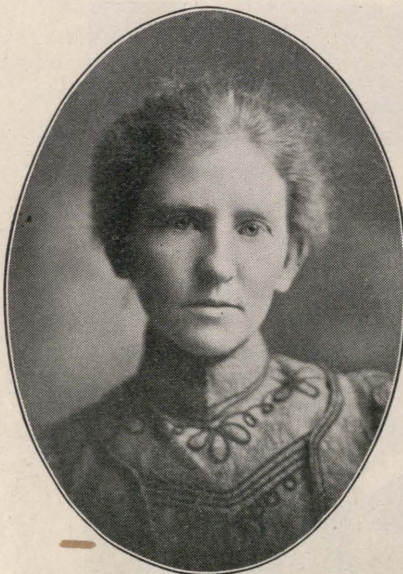
Dr. Piles located in Valparaiso during the summer of '99 and has since enjoyed an excellent practice.

This summer she was offered a position as assistant to one of the leading physicians in Chicago. As the place was very remunerative and presented a rare opportunity to advance, she accepted the offer and moved to Chicago in July. During her short residence in Valparaiso, Dr. Piles has displayed unusual talent and skill as a physician, and we predict rapid advancement in her new field.

SARAH SHOFSTALL

Prophetess Scientific Class

The woman of today is demonstrating both in business life, and, in college, her intellectual equality with man. Miss Shofstall represents the earnest college girls who are forcing the world's recognition by their laudable efforts. She is an Ohio girl and received her elementary education in the village schools at Decatur, Ohio. After attending a normal school there she taught for one year and then went to Nebraska where she taught for two years. She has travelled extensively in the west and for one year was engaged in educational work in Colorado.



She came to Valparaiso in the spring of '99 and since has completed the Teachers course and this summer graduates with the Scientific Class.

Miss Schofstall is a strong, untiring student and has made a splendid record in her classes. She has displayed much ability in forensic work. She has cultivated her tendency for literature and history with the intention of further specializing along those lines at some higher university. She intends to reenter the professional field as a teacher next year.

CHAS. F. LEMBKE.

Mr. Chas. F. Lembke is one of the most progressive young business men in the city. During his ten years of labor here he has demonstrated his high merit as an architect and builder. Within a few years he has designed and constructed over forty of the finest blocks in Northern Indiana, and they are today standing monu-

ments of his honesty and skill.

The principal blocks in Valparaiso which he has built are the Perrine building, Memorial Opera House, the Gardner School, Specht, Finney & Skinner's beautiful store and the new Science Hall, which he is now building. All these buildings are models of symmetry and grace and are conclusive evidence of his artistic spirit.

Mr. Lembke has made a study of architecture and his plans and designs,



for beauty and skill, rank with those of the best architects in the country.

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Mr. Lembke's contracts are not confined to Valparaiso alone. In different parts of Northern Indiana twelve large brick school houses, besides blocks in many towns bear the inscription, "Lembke, Architect and Builder."

HON. A. F. KNOTTS

A. F. Knotts was born in Highland county, Ohio, February 26, 1860, a son of Frank D. and Margaret (Bell) Knotts, the former of whom was born in Pennsylvania and the latter in Ohio. The paternal grandfather was of German descent and was a soldier in the war of 1812, while the mother's people were from the Isle of Erin. Mr. Knotts was the oldest of the family of children and until sixteen years of age labored continuously, summer and winter, with his father on the farm and at various other manual labors. Previous to his 17th year he

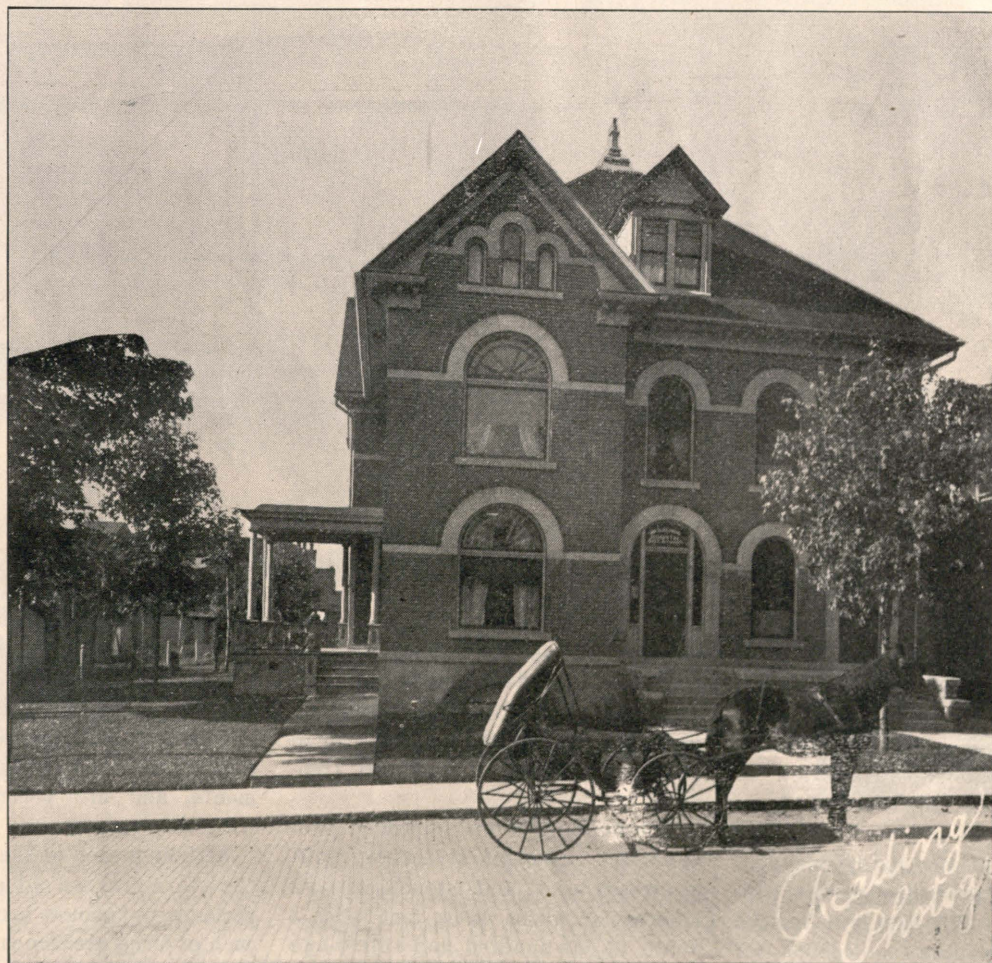
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had never attended but a few days of school, and did not even know the multiplication table. He then entered the primary grade of the Modaryville schools and, although he felt the humiliation very keenly of being placed in classes with boys not half his age, he worked hard and advanced rapidly during the three months of that school term. During the following summer he studied at home. He entered the law school at Valparaiso, from which he graduated May 30, 1887. He was president of class during its school history and was unanimously selected by the Class of 1899, the Alumni and faculty, to



deliver the annual address of that year. While studying law at Valparaiso he was elected County Surveyor of Porter county (in 1886) in which he served for eighteen months when he resigned and went to Hammond, where he has since practiced his profession with more than ordinary skill.

As a lawyer, as in everything else, he is a thorough, conscientious and tireless worker. That he is regarded as the leader of the bar in his county is evidenced by the fact that he has for several years last passed been unanimously elected president of the Lake County Bar Association.



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New Business Home of Specht, Finney & Skinner.

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In consideration of the fact that the August number of *THE CURRENT* contains quite an elaborate review of the work of the Northern Indiana Normal School, it is but fitting and appropriate that mention be made of the new business block of Specht, Finney & Skinner. This firm is among the oldest, and has been considered for years one of the most reliable and prosperous firms in Valparaiso. Owing to their fair and square dealing for some fifteen or twenty years, they have built up a trade second to none in Valparaiso and excelled by few in Northern Indiana.

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like any of them in style and construction, being the embodiment of the firm's own ideas, assisted by their architect, Charles Lembke, after having inspected the best and most modern business rooms in Northern Indiana.

The building is an imposing two-story and basement structure, built of pressed brick and stone, with a frontage of about fifty feet and a depth of one-hundred and thirty-two feet. It has a solid glass front on Main street of about fifty feet and a thirty-foot glass on Franklin street, making in all a frontage of about eighty feet of solid glass, which affords an opportunity for the most elegant display window in any business room in Northern Indiana. The building is handsomely trimmed with stone, as seen by the picture above.

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A Modern Gallery.

If the Valparaiso resident, student or visitor be a lover of art for art's sake; if he be of that sort whose pulses tingle with pleasure in the higher atmosphere of the artistic world, as contrasted with the crude and unsatisfying makeshifts so often met with in this eminently sordid twentieth century—he should by no means miss a visit to the photographic studio of A. H. Reading, on Main street, opposite the court house. Here he may sevel in the domain of a photographer who is a true artist by instinct, by education and for the love of his work.

The Reading establishment occu-

marble and others which seem actually imbued with the flush of life, appeal to the fancy on every hand. The first piece to claim the admiration is H. H. Cross' large \$1,500 painting done for the Elks of Chicago. An elk of heroic stature, alert and instinct with wild life, stands poised upon a cliff of jagged rock, alert, listening, handsome. It is a magnificently powerful piece of work.

Not the least interesting features of the exhibit are the specimens of portrait work by Mr. Reading. An eye for pose—tone—effect—finish—distinguishes the photographic output of this gallery. Withal, the first and never-broken rule of the estab-

works of art by the best known artists of the Old world and the New. Upon these occasions a host of visitors take advantage of his courtesy and view the really fine displays he has prepared for their enjoyment.

The operating room is an ideal one, thoroughly equipped with every scenic device and accessory needful in modern photography. The attaches and assistants are clever, capable artists of experience and taste.

In a word, a half hour of rare and refined enjoyment in a visit to the Reading gallery is fully worth the time and trouble, and is a pleasure that neither the resident nor the stranger within our gates should fore-

pies two full floors of the Cornell & Wasser building. The second floor is devoted to the gallery, with its exhibition, reception, toilet, operating and developing rooms. The walls are covered with excellent specimens of his own work and that of the day's best painters. Sketches, photographs, crayons, pastels, India ink portraits and oil paintings vie with each other for the visitor's attention. Ideal heads and studies from the life, calm pastorals and poetic landscapes, striking effects in light and shade, classic poses in the whiteness of

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At intervals of perhaps a month Mr. Reading gives over his spacious gallery to an informal exhibition of

go. And the institution with its rapidly spreading reputation throughout Northwestern Indiana is one in which our townspeople may feel a just degree of pride.

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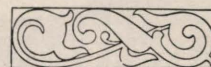
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Longley, 50 teachers, 2.4 %.	
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Sloan-Duployan, 24 teachers, 1.1 %.	
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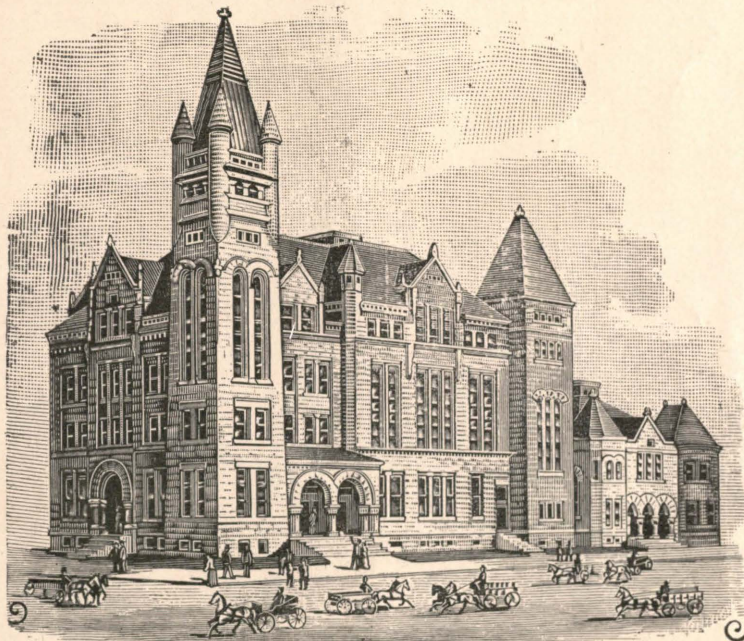
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